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 Ramadân (month of Abstinence observed by the Turks) commences
 8th June, 1853.
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- I. An annular Eclipse of the Sun, 7th June, 1853, invisible at Sydney.
- II. A partial Eclipse of the Moon, 21st June, 1853, invisible at Sydney.
- III. A total Eclipse of the Sun, 1st December, 1853, invisible at Sydney.

MEAN OBLIQUITY OF THE ECLIPTIC, 1 JANUARY, 1853.

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THE FOUR QUARTERS OF THE YEAR.

		d.	h.	m.
Autumnal Equinox....	Begins March	21	2	30 morning
Winter	" June	21	11	28 afternoon
Vernal Equinox	" September	23	1	41 afternoon
Summer.....	" December	22	7	17 morning

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